



Gilbert Parks and Recreation Department Youth Spring Ball Program

General Information



The Youth Spring Ball Program is divided into five separate divisions:

- Boys ages 7-9 Coach Pitch Baseball • Girls ages 7-9 Coach Pitch Softball • Boys and girls ages 4-6 T-Ball
- Boys ages 10-12 Baseball • Girls ages 10-12 Slow Pitch Softball

The main objective of this recreation program is to emphasize maximum participation with low-key competition for the fun and enjoyment of the game. Sportsmanship, skill development and a team concept are stressed. All players receive equal playing time during games. Everyone bats whether or not they are playing the field defensively.

All players must wear their team shirt for games and closed toe shoes. **No metal cleats or sandals are permitted.**

All players will be presented with a pin at the end of the season. **Additional monetary awards such as, trophies, pins, plaques, etc. should not be given by parents or coaches to the players.**

The Parks and Recreation Department is providing all teams the opportunity to have their pictures taken by Lifetouch National School Studios Inc. **Please see your team coach for an order form and photograph information.** Picture day is Saturday, April 2 for all divisions. **All pictures will be taken at the Greenfield Junior High School Baseball Field, 101 S. Greenfield.**

Transportation of players is not the responsibility of the coach.

The game season begins Monday, March 28 and concludes Thursday, May 5. Games canceled due to inclement weather or unplayable fields will only be rescheduled if time and facility schedules permit. Make-up games could be scheduled any day of the week Monday-Friday. **Only the Parks and Recreation Department can cancel or reschedule a game. Games are only canceled when there is inclement weather or unplayable fields.** If the weather is questionable, please call the Youth Sports Rainout Line at 503-6201 after 4:30pm on weekdays. **Note:** The Parks and Recreation Department is committed to providing a quality program and to completing all games as scheduled. However, it is possible that any extensive inclement weather could result in the cancellation of games that may not be rescheduled. We are unable to offer any refunds or credits for games lost due to inclement weather. We appreciate your understanding in this matter that is beyond our control.

Enclosed in this packet is a schedule of each team's time slot for pictures, game schedules, game location maps and CHARACTER COUNTS!sm Codes of Ethics for players and parents. Please note that each field number is marked at home plate except at McQueen Park and Freestone Park. The numbered fields at McQueen and Freestone are posted on the bleacher side of the backstops. With the exception of Freestone, the game sites do not have spectator seating, so please plan accordingly and bring your own chair for use during games.

For questions regarding information contained in this packet, please call 480-503-6200. Game schedules may also be accessed on the Gilbert Parks and Recreation Dept. website at <http://www.gilbertaz.gov/youthsports>. Have a great season!

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2016 Game Schedule • Girls Coach Pitch Softball • 7-9 Years

| <u>TEAM #</u> | <u>SHIRT COLOR</u> | <u>SCHOOL AFFILIATION</u> | <u>COACH</u> | <u>PHONE #</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|--|------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | azalea | Ashland Rch/Quartz Hill/Spectrum ... | Courtney Jimenez | 760-960-1828 |
| 2 | brown | Carol RR/Canyon/Towne/Supersti ... | Steven Barber | 471-8535 |
| 3 | purple | Finley Farms/Mesquite/Settler's Pt ... | Brian Asan | 630-973-7508 |
| 4 | tenn. orange | Highland Park | Rich Blundy | 847-922-2596 |
| 5 | carolina blue | Higley/Centennial/San Tan | Phil Hennrich | 720-934-5812 |
| 6 | violet | Houston/Burk/Oak Tree/Patterson ... | Kaysie Kiefer | 518-1891 |
| 7 | sapphire | Playa/Eduprize/Gilbert/Islands/Neely | Jeff Palomares | 612-3256 |
| 8 | red | Sonoma/Greenfield/Pioneer/Val Vista | Desiree Ruiz | 602-502-6549 |

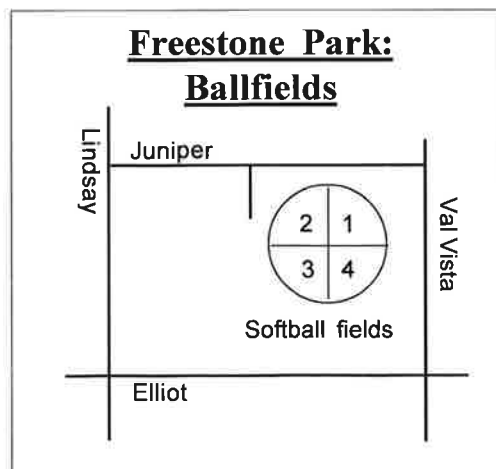
On the attached schedule, the visiting team is listed first, and should use the first base side as their dugout area. The home team is listed second and should utilize the third base side. The home team is responsible for being the official scorekeeper, providing game balls and the mat behind homeplate. The umpire is responsible for keeping the official time and collecting the scoresheet at the end of the game.

Games are 1 hour and 10 minutes, or 7 innings, whichever comes first. NOTE: Evening games may be called on account of darkness. Games start promptly, therefore teams should utilize the open park space adjacent to the playing fields for pre-game warm-ups. There are no on the field pre-game or between inning warm-ups.

In case of inclement weather, please call the Youth Sports Rainout Line no earlier than 4:30pm on weekdays. The phone number is 503-6201. Reminder: Only the Parks and Recreation Department can cancel games. If a game is canceled due to inclement weather, a make-up game will only be scheduled if time and facility schedules permit. Coaches will be notified of make-up dates and times.

Location for Games

All games are played at Freestone Park.



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2016 LEAGUE SCHEDULE • Girls Coach Pitch Softball • 7-9 year olds

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Field #</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Teams</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Monday, March 28 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 7 |
| Monday, March 28 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 1 |
| Tuesday, March 29 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 6 |
| Tuesday, March 29 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 8 |
| Wednesday, March 30 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 4 |
| Wednesday, March 30 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 7 |
| Thursday, March 31 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 6 |
| Thursday, March 31 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 5 |

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| Monday, April 4 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 8 |
| Monday, April 4 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 3 |
| Tuesday, April 5 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 1 |
| Tuesday, April 5 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 2 |
| Wednesday, April 6 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 5 |
| Wednesday, April 6 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 4 |
| Thursday, April 7 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 3 |
| Thursday, April 7 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 1 |

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------|--------|
| Monday, April 11 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 8 |
| Monday, April 11 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 7 |
| Tuesday, April 12 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 3 |
| Tuesday, April 12 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 2 |
| Wednesday, April 13 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 8 |
| Wednesday, April 13 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 7 |
| Thursday, April 14 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 6 |
| Thursday, April 14 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 5 |

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| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Field #</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Teams</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Monday, April 18 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 2 |
| Monday, April 18 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 3 |
| Tuesday, April 19 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 1 |
| Tuesday, April 19 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 4 |
| Wednesday, April 20 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 3 |
| Wednesday, April 20 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 5 |
| Thursday, April 21 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 4 |
| Thursday, April 21 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 2 |

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------|--------|
| Monday, April 25 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 3 |
| Monday, April 25 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 6 vs 8 |
| Tuesday, April 26 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 1 |
| Tuesday, April 26 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 2 |
| Wednesday, April 27 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 6 |
| Wednesday, April 27 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 7 |
| Thursday, April 28 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 5 |
| Thursday, April 28 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 4 |

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|------------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------|--------|
| Monday, May 2 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 2 |
| Monday, May 2 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 5 vs 7 |
| Tuesday, May 3 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 1 vs 6 |
| Tuesday, May 3 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 4 vs 8 |
| Wednesday, May 4 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 2 vs 4 |
| Wednesday, May 4 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 3 vs 1 |
| Thursday, May 5 | Freestone Park | 1 | 6:00 pm | 7 vs 6 |
| Thursday, May 5 | Freestone Park | 2 | 6:00 pm | 8 vs 5 |



**Gilbert Parks and Recreation Department
Youth Spring Ball Program
Photo Schedule**

The Gilbert Parks & Recreation Department has arranged for Lifetouch National School Studios Inc. to take Spring Ball Program photos. You will be provided with an envelope that explains the variety of packages you can purchase. Please fill out the envelope and return with payment to your coach. Coaches will give the envelopes to the photographer prior to your team photo. Please see the reverse side of this page for the photo schedule for each team. Please make sure your child wears his/her team t-shirt and arrives at least 15 minutes before the scheduled time slot.

Lifetouch will be mailing out photos directly to your mailing address. Please make sure the address is legible on the form for the photographers. Thank you!

PHOTO LOCATION

**GREENFIELD JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL FIELD
101 S. GREENFIELD ROAD
SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2016**

PICTURE DAY SCHEDULE

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| <u>Time</u> | <u>Shirt Color</u> | <u>Coach's Name</u> | <u>Program</u> | <u>School</u> | <u>Team #</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|--|---------------|
| 8:30am | tenn. orange | James Brown | T-Ball | Ashland Ranch | 1 |
| 8:30am | for green | Frank Poulsen | T-Ball | Burk/Gilbert/Neely | 2 |
| 8:30am | navy | Katy Chester | T-Ball | Carol Rae Ranch | 3 |
| 8:30am | maroon | Garrett Mortensen | T-Ball | Centennial/Quartz Hill | 4 |
| 8:50am | red | Kevin Fischbeck | T-Ball | Chaparral | 5 |
| 8:50am | purple | Andrea Christian | T-Ball | Coronado | 6 |
| 8:50am | tenn. orange | Ryan Fielder | T-Ball | Cortina | 7 |
| 8:50am | royal | Nat Allen | T-Ball | Finley Farms/Mesquite | 8 |
| 9:10am | gold | Shannon Phillips | T-Ball | Gateway | 9 |
| 9:10am | sapphire | Ron Mabry | T-Ball | Greenfield/Pioneer | 10 |
| 9:10am | black | Tim Henthorn | T-Ball | Highland Park | 11 |
| 9:10am | cal blue | Aaron Dommer | T-Ball | Higley | 12 |
| 9:30am | purple | Larry Sumrall | T-Ball | Houston | 13 |
| 9:30am | red | Noreen Everett | T-Ball | Oak Tree/Harris | 14 |
| 9:30am | maroon | Jake Garcia | T-Ball | Patterson/Val Vista | 15 |
| 9:30am | sapphire | Mike Duncan | T-Ball | Playa del Rey/Islands | 16 |
| 9:50am | lt. blue | Jason O'Day | T-Ball | Power Ranch/Cortina | 17 |
| 9:50am | forest green | Justin Cantrell | T-Ball | San Tan/Chaparral | 18 |
| 9:50am | gold | Scott Hass | T-Ball | Settler's Point | 19 |
| 9:50am | cal blue | Chad Kerby | T-Ball | Sonoma Ranch | 20 |
| 10:10am | royal | Heather Lange | T-Ball | Spectrum | 21 |
| 10:10am | navy | Robert Cowger | T-Ball | Towne/Augusta/Canyon/Merid/Super | 22 |
| 10:10am | azalea | Courtney Jimenez | GCP 7-9 | Ashland Ranch/Quartz Hill/Spectrum | 1 |
| 10:10am | brown | Steven Barber | GCP 7-9 | Carol Rae/Canyon/Towne/Superstition | 2 |
| 10:30am | purple | Brian Asan | GCP 7-9 | Finley Farms/Mesquite/Settler's Point | 3 |
| 10:30am | tenn. orange | Rich Blundy | GCP 7-9 | Highland Park | 4 |
| 10:30am | car blue | Phil Hennrich | GCP 7-9 | Higley/Centennial/San Tan | 5 |
| 10:30am | violet | Kaysie Kiefer | GCP 7-9 | Houston/Burk/Oak Tree/Patterson | 6 |
| 10:45am | sapphire | Jeff Palomares | GCP 7-9 | Playa/Eduprize/Gilbert/Islands/Neely | 7 |
| 10:45am | red | Desiree Ruiz | GCP 7-9 | Sonoma Rch/Greenfield/Pioneer/Val Vista | 8 |
| 10:45am | gold | Matt Behm | BCP 7-9 | Ashland Ranch | 1 |
| 10:45am | brown | Jamie Pace | BCP 7-9 | Carol Rae Ranch | 2 |
| 11:00am | sapphire | Cara Sullenger | BCP 7-9 | Gateway/Chaparral/Higley | 3 |
| 11:00am | navy | Josh Hartzell | BCP 7-9 | Greenfield/Finley Farms | 4 |
| 11:00am | royal | John Giltinan | BCP 7-9 | Highland Park | 5 |
| 11:00am | maroon | Cory Kovac | BCP 7-9 | Houston/Burk/Eduprize | 6 |
| 11:15am | tenn. orange | Daniel Lamey | BCP 7-9 | Mesquite | 7 |
| 11:15am | black | Steve Sandoval | BCP 7-9 | Oak Tree/Neely/Harris | 8 |
| 11:15am | charcoal | Mike Conrad | BCP 7-9 | Patterson | 9 |
| 11:15am | texas orange | Jayne Cluff | BCP 7-9 | Pioneer | 10 |
| 11:30am | purple | Hal Lange | BCP 7-9 | Quartz Hill/Spectrum | 11 |
| 11:30am | stone blue | Kelly Comer | BCP 7-9 | SanTan/Centenn/Coronado/Cortina/Pwr | 12 |
| 11:30am | forest green | Edwin Romero | BCP 7-9 | Settler's Point/Gilbert/Playa del Rey | 13 |
| 11:30am | cal blue | Geoffrey Ganes | BCP 7-9 | Sonoma Ranch/Val Vista | 14 |
| 11:45am | red | Steve Hartman | BCP 7-9 | Supersti/Boulder/Canyon/Highland Park | 15 |
| 11:45am | purple | Joe Vannelli | GSP 10-12 | Burk/Gilbert/Settler's Point/Ashland Rch | 1 |
| 11:45am | car. blue | Lindsay Militello | GSP 10-12 | Highland Pk/Carol/Green/Patt/Sonoma | 2 |
| 11:45am | sapphire | William Gibson | GSP 10-12 | Higley/Centenn/Meridian/Power/SanTan | 3 |
| 12:00pm | azalea | Melanie Salsgiver | GSP 10-12 | Islands/Oak Tree/Playa del Rey | 4 |
| 12:00pm | violet | Carrie Braaten | GSP 10-12 | Quartz Hill/Spectrum | 5 |
| 12:00pm | red | Michelle Randall | GSP 10-12 | Superstition Springs/Towne Meadows | 6 |
| 12:00pm | gold | Brant Whiting | BB10-12 | Carol Rae Ranch | 1 |
| 12:15pm | royal | Kelvin Chase | BB10-12 | Finley Farms/Sonoma Ranch | 2 |
| 12:15pm | maroon | Bobby Eisenhour | BB10-12 | HiPk/HJHS/Aug/Canyon/Towne/Super | 3 |
| 12:15pm | texas orange | Joshua Pascoe | BB10-12 | Islands/Eduprize/Oak Tree | 4 |
| 12:15pm | forest green | Mike Zazick | BB10-12 | Mesquite | 5 |
| 12:30pm | purple | Chris Rodriquez | BB10-12 | Patterson/Burk/Houston | 6 |
| 12:30pm | navy | Nathan Gregston | BB10-12 | Pioneer/Greenfield/Val Vista | 7 |
| 12:30pm | stone blue | Brian Harvey | BB10-12 | San/Cent/Chap/Coro/Pwr/Ash/Qtz/Spec | 8 |

PICTURE DAY SCHEDULE

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Sports League Ethics Code

Rules of Conduct and Standards of Leadership for Players

Everything you say and do should be consistent with the six core ethical values comprising good character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.

Trustworthiness

- Act so people can trust you.
- Be completely honest. Tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Don't be sneaky or tricky. Don't do things behind people's back. Don't cheat or steal.
- Don't do anything you think is wrong. Have integrity. Stand up for your beliefs. Be your best self. Show commitment and courage..
- Keep your promises. Do what you said you will do when you said you would do it. Return what you borrow.
- Don't spread rumors or gossip that would hurt others. Stand by your family, friends and your team but don't do anything wrong to get or keep a friendship. Don't ask a friend to do something wrong.

Respect

- Treat opponents, teammates, referees, and others with respect and courtesy. Do not use insults, negative cheers or name-calling to put anyone down. Don't yell at or make fun of any person. Be polite. Use "please," "thank you" and "excuse me."
- Be positive. Help people get better, be constructive.
- Be on time. Remember others are relying on you.
- Treat all people as individuals. Be tolerant of people's differences. Never make statements out of prejudice.
- Listen to others. Respect their opinions and their right to have a different opinion than yours.
- Don't use violence to settle disputes. Don't hit, shove or threaten to hurt anyone.

Responsibility

- Think before you act. Think about consequences, how your actions today can affect you and others in the future.
- Take responsibility for the consequences of your choices. Don't blame others for what you did or take credit that doesn't belong to you.
- Set a good example in everything you do.

- Do your best. Don't quit. Make all you do worthy of pride. Remember, your character is shown by how you play the game, not by whether you win or lose.
- Always control yourself. Do not lose your temper. Don't throw things, scream, hit others, or use bad language.
- Do your duty. Do what you should do even when it is hard or you don't want to do it.
- Be a good sport. Win and lose with grace — don't brag when you win or complain and make excuses when you lose.

Fairness

- Play fair and with honor. Play by the rules. Never cheat.
- Give everyone a fair chance.

Caring

- Be kind and caring. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Don't be mean, cruel or uncaring of others' feelings.
- Think of the team. Think of others. Don't be selfish on the field or off it.

Citizenship

- Obey laws and rules. Remember it is unfair for some people to play by the rules while others don't.
- Listen to your coaches, referees and your parents. Respect authority.
- Do your share. Help your team and your community. Protect the environment.

Code of Conduct for the Parents of Interscholastic Student-Athletes

We believe that interscholastic athletic competition should demonstrate high standards of ethics and sportsmanship and promote the development of good character and other important life skills. We also believe that the highest potential of sports is achieved when participants are committed to pursuing victory with honor according to six core principles: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and good citizenship (the "Six Pillars of Character"). This Code applies to the parents of all student-athletes involved in interscholastic sports.

TRUSTWORTHINESS.

1. *Trustworthiness* — be worthy of trust in all you do.
 - ❑ *Integrity* — live up to high ideals of ethics and sportsmanship and always pursue victory with honor; do what's right even when it's unpopular or personally costly.
 - ❑ *Honesty* — live and compete honorably; don't allow your children to lie, cheat, steal or engage in any other dishonest or unsportsmanlike conduct.
 - ❑ *Reliability* — fulfill commitments; do what you say you will do; be on time; when you tell your children you will attend an event, be sure to do so.
 - ❑ *Loyalty* — be loyal to your school and team; put the team above your own interests.

RESPECT

2. *Respect* — treat all people with respect all the time and require the same of student-athletes.
3. *Class* — live and cheer with class; be a good sport; be gracious in victory and accept defeat with dignity; compliment extraordinary performance; and show sincere respect for all competitors.
4. *Disrespectful Conduct* — don't engage in disrespectful conduct of any sort including profanity, obscene gestures, offensive remarks of a sexual nature, trash-talking, taunting, boastful celebrations, or other actions that demean individuals or the sport.
5. *Respect Officials* — treat contest officials with respect; don't complain about or argue with official calls or decisions during or after an athletic event.
6. *Respect Coaches* — treat coaches with respect at all times; recognize that they have team goals beyond those of your child. Do not shout instructions to players from the stands; let coaches coach.

RESPONSIBILITY

7. *Importance of Education* — stress that student-athletes are students first. Be honest with your children about the likelihood of getting an athletic scholarship or playing on a professional level. Place the academic, emotional, physical and moral well-being of your children above desires and pressures to win.
8. *Role-Modeling* — Consistently exhibit good character and conduct yourself as a positive role model for your children.

9. *Self-Control* — exercise self-control; don't fight or show excessive displays of anger or frustration; have the strength to overcome the temptation to demean others.
10. *Integrity of the Game* — protect the integrity of the game; don't gamble on your children's games.
11. *Privilege to Compete* — assure that you and your child understand that participation in interscholastic sports is a privilege, not a right, and that they are expected to represent their team, school and family with honor, on and off the field.

FAIRNESS

12. *Be Fair* — treat all competitors fairly; be open-minded; always be willing to listen and learn.

CARING

13. *Encouragement* — encourage your children regardless of their play; offer positive reinforcement.
14. *Concern for Others* — demonstrate concern for others; never intentionally injure any player or engage in reckless behavior that might cause injury to yourself or others.
15. *Teammates* — help promote the well-being of your child's teammates by encouragement or by reporting unhealthy or dangerous conduct to coaches.

CITIZENSHIP

16. *Know the Rules* — maintain a thorough knowledge of all applicable game and competition rules.